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REMARKS

This paper responds to the Office Action mailed on May 19, 2005.

Claim 25 is canceled without prejudice or disclaimer. As a result, claims 1-24 and 51-63 are now pending in this application.

§103 Rejection of the Claims

Claim 25 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Lin et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,249,040) in view of Summerfelt et al. (U.S. Patent No. 5,622,893).

Applicant does not admit that Lin et al. and Summerfelt et al. are prior art. Nonetheless, Applicant cancels claim 25 to expedite prosecution. Applicant may reintroduce claim 25 in another patent application.

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 1-24 and 51-63 were allowed.

Applicant acknowledges the allowance of claims 1-24 and 51-63.

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CONCLUSION

Applicant respectfully submits that the claims are in condition for allowance, and notification to that effect is earnestly requested. The Examiner is invited to telephone Applicant's attorney at (612) 373-6969 to facilitate prosecution of this application.

If necessary, please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-0743.

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